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**EXHIBIT B**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: MacDonald *et al.*

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For: BIOREACTOR DESIGN AND PROCESS  
FOR ENGINEERING TISSUE FROM CELLS

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants in the aforementioned matter petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2002, paper number 7, for four months from September 13, 2002, up to and including January 13, 2003.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should be directed to our address given below.

**AUTHORIZATION**

Please find enclosed a check for \$725.00 in payment of the extension fee. Applicants believe there is no additional fee due in connection with this filing. However, to the extent

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required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due in connection with this filing to Deposit Account 50-1710 or credit any overpayment to same.

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